

09/890306

Attorney Docket No.: 13377-002001

JC18 Rec'd PCT/PTO 27 JUL 2001

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Murali Nayudu et al.
Serial No. : Unassigned
Filed : Herewith
Title : A METHOD OF CONTROLLING FUNGAL PATHOGENS, AND AGENTS
USEFUL FOR SAME

BOX PCT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Amend claims 3-5, 7-8, 17-18, 27, 31-33, 39-40, 43, 45, 47, 51-52, 59-60, 62-63, and 65-70 as follows:

--3. (Amended) The method according to claim 1 wherein the fungal pathogen is *G. graminis* (take-all fungus).--

--4. (Amended) The method according to claim 1 wherein the fungal pathogen is *Botrytis fabae*.--

--5. (Amended) The method according to claim 1 wherein the sugar acid is selected from the group consisting of mannonic acid, gluconic acid, and galacturonic acid.--

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY FIRST CLASS MAIL

EL 485712985US

I hereby certify under 37 CFR §1.8(a) that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage on the date indicated below and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

Date of Deposit

Signature

Typed or Printed Name of Person Signing Certificate

July 27, 2001
Samantha Bell
Samantha Bell